

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES
CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING
Friday, November 13, 2015 1:00 p.m.
Coral Gables Youth Center
405 University Drive, Coral Gables, Florida 33134**

Excerpt Minutes

MEMBERS	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	O+	N+	APPOINTED BY:
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Claudio Pastor*											P	P	E	Mayor Jim Cason
Geannina A. Burgos*												P	P	Vice-Mayor Frank C. Quesada
Alfonso Perez*									P	-	P	P	P	Commissioner Jeannett Slesnick
Bruce B. Litwer	-	P	P	-	P	P	-	-	E	-	P	E	P	Commissioner Pat Keon
Samuel Joseph*									P	-	^	^	^	Commissioner Vince Lago
Dr. Bernice Roth*											P	P	P	City Manager
Dr. Rosa Maria Mayorga	-	P	E	-	E	P	-	-	P	-	P	P	P	Board Appointee

LEGEND: A = Absent; P = Present; E = Excused; * = New Member; ^= Resigned Member; - = No Meeting
+ = Special Meeting

STAFF:

Dona Spain, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts Director, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts
Catherine Cathers, Arts and Culture Specialist, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts
Billy Urquia, Deputy City Clerk, City Clerk
Jorge Casuso, Business Development Analyst, Economic Development

GUESTS:

Yesenia Atterrera, FIU student; Tracy Magellan, Montgomery Botanical Center; Mark Hart, Community Arts Program; Igor Shteyrenberg, Miami Jewish Film Festival; Judith Vigil, Miami Jewish Film Festival; Isabel Diaz-Almaraz, Florida Grand Opera; Annelise Abrams, Seraphic Fire; Jadwiga Gewert, Chopin Foundation; Stephen Margulis, Friends of Chamber Music; Julian Kreeger, Friends of Chamber Music; Larry Fields, Fantasy Theatre Factory; Noel Stillings, St. Patrick's Day Festival Committee; Kirk Forbes, Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden; Maria Rodaz, Area Stage Company; Christa Green, Peter London Global Dance Co.; Rick Katz, Miami Jazz Cooperative; Sally Baumgartner, Merrick Festival; Federico Musgrove, Florida Guitar Foundation; Cici Abrams, South Florida Lindy Collective; Barbara Stein, Actors' Playhouse; Margie Lopez, Miami Bach Society; Doris Bravo, WPBT2; Ingrid Stuart, WPBT2; Rafael Costa, Friends of the Miami-Dade Public Library; Betsey Greene Freeman, Miami International Film Festival; Carlene Sawyer, Murray Dranoff; Elaine Rinaldi, Orchestra Miami; Rene Mark, Festival Miami

RECORDING AND PREPARATION OF MINUTES: Catherine Cathers, Arts and Culture Specialist, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts

CULTURAL GRANT APPLICATIONS REVIEW AND SCORING

The FY2015-16 Cultural Grant applications review and scoring meeting commenced at 2:15 p.m.

Dr. Roth welcomed guests to the meeting. Board Members and City staff introduced themselves, followed by the introduction of audience members and their affiliated cultural organization. Board Members thoroughly discussed each application and scores were submitted to Mr. Urquia to calculate an average score of the Board.

Ms. Burgos made a motion to move Miami Bach Society's application from the Cultural Development category to Cultural Series, Festivals, & Special Events. Mr. Litwer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Dr. Mayorga made a motion to move UM – School of Architecture's application from the Cultural Development category. Mr. Litwer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Ms. Burgos made a motion to move UM – School of Architecture's application to the Community category. Mr. Perez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Litwer made a motion that if funds are received by Beaux Arts of the Lowe Art Museum, they are to be used toward the Beaux Arts Festival of Art student art exhibition only, and not toward the Festival as a whole. Mr. Perez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Litwer made a motion that if funds are received by Coral Gables Congregational Community Church, prior to receipt of funds, the organization is to provide a legal opinion letter stating why they are not able to comply with the Cultural Development Board's requirement to provide an IRS affirmation letter dated within the past 2 years. Mr. Perez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Board noted Miami Classical Guitar Society's disqualification due to no filing of the required FY2014-15 Final Report.

Mr. Litwer made a motion to disqualify South Florida Friends of Classical Music based on the incomplete status of the application. Dr. Mayorga seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Litwer made a motion to accept the allocations and scoring made by the Board. Mr. Perez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The results were as follows:

	ORGANIZATION	RECOMMENDED ALLOCATION
CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT		
1	Actors' Playhouse	\$7,150
2	Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden	\$6,725
3	Coral Gables Cinemateque, Inc.	\$6,650
4	GableStage	\$6,475
5	Montgomery Botanical Center	\$6,050
6	Area Performance Gallery, Inc.	\$6,025
CULTURAL SERIES, FESTIVALS, & SPECIAL EVENTS		
7	Coral Gables Congregational Church / Community Arts Program	\$7,000
8	Seraphic Fire	\$6,900
9	UM - Festival Miami	\$6,800
10	Center for the Advancement of Jewish Education / MJFF	\$3,350
11	Chopin Foundation	\$6,675
12	Tigertail	\$1,500
13	Miami Bach Society, Inc.	\$6,550
14	Friends of Miami-Dade Public Library	\$6,525
15	Friends of Chamber Music	\$6,500
16	Community Television Fndtn. of South FL / WPBT2	\$6,500
17	Miami Jazz Cooperative	\$6,400
18	Florida Grand Opera	\$6,300
19	Miami Dade College Foundation / MIFF	\$6,300
20	Murray Dranoff Foundation Inc., The	\$6,200
21	Hispanic American Lyric Theatre	\$6,000
22	Merrick Festival Inc.	\$4,450
23	Peter London Global Dance Company	\$5,900
24	St. Patrick's Day Committee	\$0
25	GMCC / Greater Miami Symphonic Band	\$0
26	Florida Guitar Foundation	\$0
27	Beaux Arts of the Lowe Art Museum	\$0
28	Miami Classical Guitar Society	\$0

